larance/acceptance of its own schemes assistance in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE INISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND MPLOYMENT (SHRI BABAGOUDA kTIL): (a) The Ministry of Rural Areas d Employment is implementing various liemes namely Jawahar Rozgar Yojana RY), Employment Assurance Scheme ;AS), Integrated Rural Development ogramme (IRDP), Development of omen & Child in Rural Areas WCRA) and Training of Youth for If Employment (TRYSEM) for neration of employment opportunities roughout the country including Madhya adesh for rural poor with special iphasis on women, Under JRY 30% d under IRDP 40% of the employment iportunities are to be provided to)men. The DWCRA specially targets >men through group approach for nerating self-employment oportunities. Besides, during 1993-94 a oject entitled "Sustainable employment r women in 20 selected villages of adhya Pradesh was sanctioned at a total •St of Rs. 87.50 lakhs to Mahila Chetna anch, Bliopal, an NGO and by the end May, 1998 78.42% of funds have been ilised.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Question does not arise.

lisappropriation of Central Funds in the Gorkha Hill Council

*511. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had received ny complaint regarding misappropriation of Central Funds in the Gorkha Hill Council; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the ction taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) and (b) An all Party delegation led by Shri Dawa Lama Member of Parliament, met Union Home Minister and submitted a Memorandum requesting the Government to look into allegations regarding financial irregularities and misappropriation of central funds by the Gorkha Hill Council.

2. The Memorandum highlighted mainly the following issues:—

(1) The unlawful activities of Shri Subhash Ghisingh.

(2) Misappropriation of public funds by the Chairman of Darjeeling Gorkha Hill Council.

(3) Need for a separate State of Gorkhaland.

3. A copy of the Memorandum has been sent to the Government of West Bengal for taking action on the issues raised.

Licence for Keeping a Wireless Set

*512. SHRI LAKKHIRAM AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a common man is required to obtain a licence for keeping a wireless set;

(b) if so, what is the procedure for obtaining such a licence; and

(c) the number of persons who have been issued wireless licences. State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) An application in the prescribed format is to be submitted to the Wireless Planning & Coordination Wing of the Ministry of Communications. On successful completion of technical and adminsitrative examination, licence is granted for the wireless sets after receipt of requisite fees.

(c) The information is given in the attached Statement.